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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the office communication mailed September 14, 2001, please amend the subject application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 9 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The container 20 is provided with a ring-like bulge 28 that projects inwardly from the inner surface 30 of the sidewall 22 immediately adjacent to the peripheral rim 26 with the ring-like bulge being provided in the form of a plurality of vertically extending and uniformly spaced ribs 32. As best seen in Figs. 2 and 6, the sidewall 22 also has a ring-like bulge 34 projecting outwardly from the outer surface 36 of the sidewall with the outwardly directed ring-like bulge also being formed from a plurality of vertically extending and uniformly spaced ribs 38. The inner and outer surfaces of the sidewall define a sidewall thickness therebetween with the sidewall thickness of the bulges at said ribs being greater than between adjacent ribs and at other locations on the sidewall.